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PATENT

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In re application of:	Milo et al.	Docket No.: 1849.16102-B CIP							
Serial No.:	09/780,843	Examiner: V. Nguyen							
Filed:	9 February 2001	Group Art Unit: 3731							
For:	Systems, Methods, and Comp Puncture Sites	ositions for Achieving Closure of Vascular							
	Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 RECEIVED APR 1 5 2003 AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL								
	AMENDMENT TRA	TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700							
Transmitted h	erewith is an amendment for this	application.							
	STATUS	S							
2. Applicant is									
[X] a sma	II entity								
[] other	than a small entity.								
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	CERTIFICATE OF MAILIN	G (37 CFR 1.8(a))							
I hereby certify that this pape Service on the date shown b Washington, DC 20231.	r (along with any referred to as being attach elow with sufficient postage as first class m	ed or enclosed) is being deposited with the United State Postal ail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents,							
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EXTENSION OF TERM

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NOTE:	"Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments) - If a timely and complete response has been filed after Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment aft expiration of the shortened statutory period.						
	a Notice the timel	of Appeal y-filed resp	or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment a	nnsion of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless ace. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).			
NOTE:		CFR 1.64 nation prod		ings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in			
3.	The pr	roceedir	ngs herein are for a patent application a	and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply			
			(complete (a) or (b) as app	licable)			
	(a)	[X]	Applicant petitions for an extension of 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of mo	f time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR onths checked below:			
	Extens	sion	Fee for other than	Fee for			
	(month		Small Entity	Small Entity			
[] []	one m		\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00			
	two mo		\$ 410.00	\$ 205.00			
[X]		nonths	\$ 930.00	\$ 465.00			
[] []	four m		\$1450.00 \$1070.00	\$ 725.00 \$ 085.00			
[]	five mo	ontns	\$1970.00	\$ 985.00			
			Fee: \$ <u>465.00</u>				
	If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor.						
			(check and complete the next item	n, if applicable)			
	[] An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.						
	Extension fee due with this request: \$						

OR

(b)

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Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee (Small Entity)	Additional Fee (Large Entity)
Total Claims 37 CFR 1.16(c)*	8	-20 =	(12)	x \$ 9.00	\$0	\$0
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b)**	1	-3 =	(2)	x \$ 42.00	\$0	\$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent claim(s) if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))	0			\$140.00	\$0	\$0
Total Additional Fee					\$0	\$0

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The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

WARNING: "After final rejection or action (S 1.113) amendments may be made cancelling claims or complying with any requirement of form which has been made." 37 CFR S 1.116(a) (emphasis added).

(complete (c) or (d) as applicable)

(c)	[X]	No additional fee for claims is required.
		OR
(d)	[]	Total additional fee for claims required \$

FEE PAYMENT

5.	[X]	Attached is a check in t	he sum of \$ <u>465.00</u>
	[]	Charge Account No	the sum of \$
			A duplicate of this transmittal is attached

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FEE DEFICIENCY

NOTE:

If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. [X] If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 06-2360.

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